retirement under the Voluntary Retirement Scheme during 1991-92. The Scheme has been kept in abeyance since 6-4-1992.

(b) Does not arise.

Protection given to automobile industry

2398. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of protection provided to automobile industry;

(b) whether the consumers are adversely affected by this protection;

(c) if so, the details thereof and whether this protection will be taken off to create an environment of more competitive market in an open economy; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) The automobile industry is now delicensed. As such, there is no constraint on capacity for the manufacture of automobiles. Also, several foreign collaborations have been approved for this sector.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

बांका जिले में चीनी मिटटी संबंधी उद्योग की स्थापना करना

2399. **श्री जनार्दन यादव** : क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि बिहार के बांका जिले में कोई उद्योग नहीं है ;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि सरकार ने बांका जिले में एक चीनी मिट्टी संबंधी उद्योग काम्पलैक्स का निर्माण करने के प्रस्ताव को मंजूरी दे दी है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस काम्पलैक्स का निर्माण कब तक पूरा किया जाएगा और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती कृष्णा साही) : (क) जिला उद्योग केन्द्र कार्य योजना, 1979–80 के अनुसार सम्पूर्ण देश में 93 जिले, जहां कोई मझौली तथा बड़ी इकाई नहीं है, उद्योग रहित जिलों के रूप में घोषित किये गये हैं । परन्तु, बांका जिला, जो भागलपुर जिल में से काट कर बनाया गया था, उद्योग रहित जिल के रूप में वर्गीकृत नहीं किया गया था ।

(ख) ऐसा कोई प्रस्ताव इस मंत्रालय के विचराधीन नहीं है ।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Functioning of Hindustan Paper Corporation

2400. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the latest stock position in metric ton for each Unit of M/s. Hindustan Paper Corporation;

(b) what effective efforts or steps are being taken to liquidate the stocks;

(c) since when are the posts of Director (Marketing), Director (Personnel), Managing Director (Hindustan Newsprint Limited) and Managing Director (Nagaland Pulp and Paper Mills) lying vacant and reasons therefor; and

(d) what steps are being taken to fill them and by when they are expected to be filled?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) The stock position as on 30-6-1994 in the units of Hindustan Paper Corporation are—

(i) Cacher Paper Mill	10,909 MT
(ii) Nagaon Paper Mill	10,113 MT
(iii) Hindustan Newsprint Ltd.	6,858 MT
(iv) Qagaland Pulp & Paper Co. Ltd.	NIL
(v) Manday National Paper Mills Ltd.	455 MT

On account of the disruption in the movement of materials in the North-Eastern region stock level has gone up.

(c) and (d):—

Post)	Lying vacant since	Reason fflr vacancy
Director (Marketing) Hindustan Paper Corporation	Oct. '92	Retirement
Director (Personnel) Hindustan Paper Corporation	June '91	Resignation
Managing Director Hindustan Newsprint Limited	April '91	Appointment to a) higher post.
Managing Director Nagaland Pulp & Paper Company Ltd. . . . . 6 . .	July '92	Retirement

The Marketing Division and the Personnel Division are presently headed by a General Manager and Executive Director respectively. The post of Managing Director, Hindustan Newsprint Limited has since been adverised.

Nagaland Pulp & Paper Company Limited (NPPC) is a sick unit referred to BIFR and presently an Executive Director is the Chief Executive of the Unit.

Transfur of unsaleable material to depots by Hindustan Paper Corporation

2401. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether M|s. Hindustan Paper Corporation is transferring unsaleable material to its depots all over India including Delhi without having any specific orders from its dealers;

(b) if so, the reasons for which this is being done thereby wasting mony on godown rent, flight, overhead expenses, etc.;

(c) what are the reasons that the marketing department does not take order from dealers prior to despatch?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) According to Hindustan Paper Corporation Ltd., no unsaleable material are transferred from mills to Depots. They sell their products largely from the Depots and sometimes directly from the mills. The Depots maintain certain level of stock of common variety required for that area as it takes 1½ months time to get the material from the mills to Depots to ensure that the market is not lost due to the time gap in executing the orders.

Better performance of industrial sector

2402. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the industrial sector in the country is going to perform well because of the liberalised and globalised policy adopted by Government in giving thrust to the sick infra-structure industries;

(b) if so, what is the target fixed in the industrial sector by Government for the year 1994, 1995 and 1996; and

(c) by when the said target is likely to be achieved?